Boston May Be Taken in by the American League

If the National Starts a Baseball War This Year.

IS BAN JOHNSON'S IDEA

Kid McCoy Returns Home With a Roll of \$25,000.

Declares He is Willing to Fight Any Big Pugilist.

Chicago, III., Dec. 24.-In an interview today Ban Johnson declared that he had no further news of the fight that the National League might make on the American. "The American League," he National people are so well aware of that fact that there is little prospect of their making and first prospect of the Eastern Promoter. their making any fight. However, if they do, we will simply take in another eastern city and let them go ahead. Should the league expand further, Boston will be the other city,"

### KID M'COY RETURNS. Arrives in New York and Tells How

He Won \$25,000 in England. New York, Dec. 36.—Looking as spruce and natty as possible in a rice, new Eng-lish suit of cichies, Kid McCoy walked down the ganghank of the Campania of the Cunard line. To a reporter McCoy

the Cunard line. To a reporter McCoy sald:

"I am feeling well and don't know that I was ever in better health. I am weighing exactly 185 pounds and will stop at the Muidoon's farm, where I will begin training in anticipation of meeting the four big heavyweights. Jeffries, Flussimmons, Sharkey and Corbett.

"I shall issue a challenge immediately to all four and will post a forfeit of \$5,000 as a guarantee of good faith.

"I have plenty of money to make good any statement I may make, for I won \$5,000 on the horses over in England and consequently have very pisasant recollections of my visit.

"I want to emphasize, and very decisively, that my fight with Corbett was strictly on the lovel, no matter what may have been said or what the sporting public may think. I never entered into a fake tight in my life and never will. If I was on my dying bed I would say the same thing."

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 24.—Homer Selby, brother and manager of Kid Mc-Coy, has written the officers of Whit-tington Park club that the Kid will tington Park club that the Kid will be ready to sign articles for a contest with Jack Root, of Chicago, to take place in this city the last week in February or the first week in March. He does not say anything about meeting Sharkey, as eastern papers have announced, but this match will no doubt be made and pulled off some time in March. The club is now corresponding with Root's manager, with a view of matching this pair for twenty-five rounds on February 22.

## FAMOUS DOG FOR AMERICA.

Gus Graitzner Imports Champion Fox Terrier Brockenhurst Agnes.

London, Dec. 24.—The famous smooth coated fox terrier, Champion Brockenhurst Agnes, has just left England to go to the kennel of Gus Greitzmer, at New Orleans, She is one of the many good dogs bred by J. C. Tinne. Her last appearance in England was at the Fox Terrier club's carnival at Cheltenham last November, when she carried all before her.

## FITZ STICKS TO IT.

Declares He Is Out of the Prize Ring For All Time to Come.

New York. Dec. 22 - "I am out of prize fighting forever." declared Bob Fitzsimmens. "I say this once more as a gentle hint to those who get gay now and then and accuse me of funking. Let them talk as they muy. I can only repeat that I have carried the right to retire, and that I shall consider my family first and the roped aquare a long way afterward. If I ever fight again it will be when I cannot earn my fixing by any other occu-

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pation. A refired banker has the same privilege. But until I less the maney in have made and the capacity for provid-ing for my family I shall not enter ing for my family I shall not enter the ring.

"This is surely about as plain as I can make it. It is not for advertising pur-poses. It is not to make a sensation. I do not care for advertising other than that which I legitimately pay for. My show, The Honest Blacksmith, is making money, and it would not look well for me to throw stones at other shows, and I shall not do so."

SLOAN IS GRANTED A LICENSE Tanforan Track Feels Justified in Allowing Him to Ride.

lowing Him to Ride.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—Tod Sloan's turf standing, so far as California is concerned, has been settled. He made application to the San Francisco Jockey club, which controls Tanforan track, for a liceuse, and this has been granted.

As Sloan held a liceuse from the New York Jockey club, the local association had ample justification for its course. It now looks as if Sloan will be privileged to ride on any of the American tracks provided he does not apply for liceuse in England and get refused.

In case the latter event should occur, it, would be tantamount to disbarment, which the American association might feel obliged to recognize. Sloan has not signified his intention of riding here, his action being taken solely with a view to ascernaining his standing.

# continued, "is amply able to take care BRADY WILL MANAGE FIGHTS.

Cincinnati, Dec. 24.—It is now certain that Billy Brady will manage the fistle carnival at the Sasagerfest hall here. Brady is expected here next week and will at once get things in shape for the contest between Jeffries and Ruhlin.

The preliminary bout has as yet not been decided on. McGovern and Martin Flaherty are talked of, but this is not certain, for the reason that McGovern refuses to appear in a preliminary.

A ten-round go between Ryan and Root has been suggested if this pair can be secured under the terms offered.

Work on the building will commence next week.

## HARD HEAD SAVED HIM.

James Turner Successfully Held Up National Hotel Elevator.

To his proverbial hardheadedness or some other fortuitous circumstance James open up a vigorous fick against the furner, porter at the National hotel, owes his life. On his hands and knees Turner was resting, talking flown the circumstance of the service is simply outrageous. "Twunt to emphasize, and very declaired by the property of the property of the fight in my fight with Corbert was attricted been said or what the sporting public heavy think. I never entered into a fake fight in my fight with Corbert was didn't been said or what the sporting public heavy think. I never entered into a fake fight in my fight with Corbert would say the same thing."

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M'COY AND ROOT

May Be Matched to Fight in Hot
Springs, Arkansas.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 24.—Homer
Seiby, brother and manager of Kid MeSeiby, brother and manager of Kid Me-The contract embraces a lease of the theater to E. D. Stair, who will operate the same as a popular-priced family theater. The building will be 190 by 140

## KANSAS NEWS.

Hill City Business Men Start a Town Boom.

Organize a Commercial Club With Paid Up Capital.

BUY A HOTEL BLOCK.

A Salina Jointkeeper Shooting at a Target

In His Saloon Manages to Knock Out Farmer's Eye.

Hill City, Dec. 24. The Hill City business men's commercial club has been chartered with a capital stock fully paid up of \$2,000, J. A. Mellotte was chosen president and W. H. Hill, secretary.
The object of the organization is to work for the best interests of Hill City

and Graham county. The members of the club have ample means to increase

vator and grist mill.

The new Methodist church is nearing completion. It will cost to complete and furnish about 2,500.

Rock is being hauled for the erection of other business buildings, here next

The new hotel building built by J. P.

Pomercy is about completed, but will not be thrown upon to the public until spring.

The newspapers of Hill City, as well as all the others on the Salina & Oakley branch of the Union Pacific road, between Plainville and Hoxie, will soon

ands have sold from action advance this year.

D. J. Hanna, who is extensively engaged in real estate in Hill City and Graham county, has sold to A. J. Rice, of Atchson county, thirty quarter sections, all of them improved, and a large amount of Solomon valley country in morphine.

In the has 300 acres of alfalfa. theater. The building will be 100 by 140 feet in size, the longest side frontling on Fifty-ninth street. The entrance to the theater will be opposite the Columbus monument on "The Circle."

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the Populist member of the legislature from that county in the war legislature, has recently purchased a half section of Graham county land of Mr. Hanna, who has also disposed of ranches to Dr. C. M. Arbuthaot and R. M. Armstrong, Republic county people, and many others in the past few months.

There are other real estate firms here, who have reported good sales of Graham county lands.

## SHE WAS JUSTIFIED. Mrs. Lulu Hendricks Is Exonerated

For Killing Clyde Parker. Wichita, Dec. 24.—The second coroner's jury in Grant county, Oklahoma, has returned a verdict of justification in the case of the killing of Clyde Parker by Mrs. Lulu Hendricks. She lived in a "dugout" in an Oklahoma claim with seven children. Clyde Parker came to her house a few nights ago with a white handkerchief tied to a stick, and acting strangely. He would neither speak nor go away when she ordered him off the premises. "Shoot him; shoot him premises. "Shoot him: shoot him mama." the frightened children cried. and taking aim with a revolver she sent a builet through his neck at a distance of 75 feet. The dead man proved to be Parker, a local artist, who painted wild ponies and prairie scenes.

## CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER Ed. Young Found Guilty of Killing | conduct.

Captain Casey Near Troy.

Troy, Kan., Dec. 24.—Ed Young was convicted of manslaughter in the fourth degree in the district court here Saturdesy for the killing of Captain Jacob S. Casey on an island in the Missouri river, north of Troy, on the 2d of last March.

Casey lived in St. Joseph and was a captain in one of the companies of the Fourth Missouri volunteers in the Spanish war. Last spring, while on a surveying trip up the Missouri river. Casey found this island and settled on it with the intention of acquiring title. The Young family, who lived on the mainland near the island, claimed the island as part of their land and the killing was caused by the disputed ownership of the island. The punishment of Young can be, from six months in Jall to two years in the penitoniary. Captain Casey Near Troy.

### BETTER THAN OPIE READ. Blue Rapids People Like Lecture of Tom McNeal

Blue Rapids, Kan., Dec. 24.—Tom Mc-Neal, the Mail and Breeze man, lectured here Friday night on "What's Trumps," under the auspices of the Ladies' Opera House association. After hearing Mr. McNeal our citizens wonder why it was necessary to import Opie Read into Kancas to amuse or instruct her people. It is the general feeling here that Tom McNeal can give Opie Read cards and spades and then

win out.

If he ever comes to Blue Rapids again he will meet a packed house. Eugene Ware is billed for a lecture here in January.

### WORK OF OFFICER CLARKE. Rural Mail Route Inspector Leaves

Kansas After Making a Record. Pittsburg. Kas., Dec. 24.—Captain mas dinner at home.

Pittsburg, Kas., Dec. 24.—Captain Clarke, rural route inspector in Kansas, has completed his work in southeastern Kansas, and left for Denver to remain until after the first of the new year. He has made a splendid record in Kansas, having established twenty-three routes in the past twenty-six days. He has made two adverse reports. His work is as follows:

Girard, three routes, length 79 miles, population served 1,620, carriers O. B. Wooley, J. R. Ciarlhan, J. W. Wilson, McCune, two routes, length 56 miles, population served 1,120; carriers B. A. Batennan; Pittsburg, two routes, length 49 miles, population served 1,420; Columbus, three routes, population served 1,420; Columbus, three routes, population served 1,850.

Firebug Johnson as

From Osage City.

amoust of Solomon valley country in-cluded. Mr. Rice has 300 acres of alfalfa sown last spring, and next year he will sow several hundred acres more in the same cereal. He has put faith in Gra-

Ed Rosser, of the State Reformatory at Hutchinson, is spending Christmas with friends in this city.

Sheriff Huffman and City Marshal Jones had a lively chase from here to Burlingame, Saturday, after an alleged horsethief named Ed J. Schwab, alias Robinson who is supposed to have stolen a horse and buggy from a woman, near Empirica. He was overhauled near Burlingame, and confessed to have taken the horse and buggy, but as an apology for the crime, claimed that the woman was owing him. He was turned over to the Lyon county authorities.

Mrs. Vernole was arrested for disposing of mortgaged property and taken to

Jail.
William Thoorp, keeper of a notorious joint and gambling den, was arrested on a state warrant Saturday and taken to Lyondon.

School Boys in a Fight. Wichita, Kas., Dec. 24.—Jess Pink-ston, Roy Minnick, Claude Jennings and Frank Jones, all under 20, engaged in a quarrel over a young woman at a public school entertainment Saturday, and there were some threats of shooting when the police arrived upon the scene. It is alleged that three of the young men made some insulting remarks about Jones' girl. The four left the hall and renewed the quarrel in the corridor, when it is said Jones drew his revolver and threatened to kill the other three. They were all locked up for disorderly

# Railroad Y. M. C. A. to Build Coffeyville, Kas. Dec. 24.—Fred B. Shipp, representative of the Railroad Y. M. C. A., was in the city today, and stated that work on the Coffeyville Railroad Y. M. C. A. building will begin the first of the year. It will be a two-story brick and will cost about \$12,000. The citizens of the town have subscribed \$1,700. Helen Gould, \$1,000; the Missouri Pacific employes, \$1,500, and the Missouri Pacific railroad the balance. When completed this will be the finest

Railroad Y. M. C. A. building in Kan-

Ditch Company Enters Suit. The ditch company last week com-menced suit for \$10,000 damages against the township officers of Buffalo town-ship for filling a roadway across the ditch. When the courts have estab-lished who the Lake Koehn Irrigation lished who the Lake Koehn irrigation company is, there will probably be suits for damages by farmers whose crops have been injured by overflowing of the ditch. It would seem that the ditch people and the farmers cannot get along agreeably without getting into court.—Great Bend Democrat.

### Jessie Morrison's Bond.

Elborado, Dec. 24.—Hayward Morrison, brother of Jessie Morrison, said today: "Six wealthy men of this county have volunteered to go on the bond. They will qualify for over \$100,000. We are in no hurry to file the bond, and it is not worrying us like it is lots of other people. Jessie is feeling very well and still receives letters of sympathy daily." While Mr. Morrison would not say when the bond would be filed, he left the impression that his sister would eat Christmas dinner at home.

## News From Goodland.

Rews From Goodland.

Goodland, Dec. 24.—Goodland and Sherman county will lose two of their best business men about the first of the year. W. E. Comer will engage in the drug trade in Denver, and Chas F. Weber will locate in Guthrie, Ok., and engage in the grain industry. They have lived here and engaged in business five and thirteen years respectively.

Dr. F. H. Smith, Democrate member of the legislature-elect from Sherman county, will vote for a Democrat for United States senator rather than give any comfort whatever to either Burton or Baker, or any other Republican. He says he can vote with grace for either Overmyer or Johnson.

## Firebug Johnson as a Lecturer. Parsons, Dec. 24.—Firebug Johnson de-livered his lecture here to an intelligent

Osage City. Dec. 24.—Mrs. Mary Lloyd is spending the helidays with her daughter. Mrs. Fred Osborn, at Argentine.
C. C. Hudson, of the switch crew. With his wife and son King, will spend Christmas with Topeka friends.
Last Friday night Harry Caliban attempted to kill himself by swallowing morphine. His brother found him and not being able to arouse him, saw what clothing and was dramatic in some places. "Man's Inhumanity to Man" was

Coffeyville, Kas., Dec. 24.—The annual meting of the Coffeyville Commercial club was held last night. The fol-

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## Pensions for Kansans.

Washington, Dec. M.—Pensions have been granted to Kansans as follows:
Additional—Jackson Buckingham, Oskaloosa, \$10.
Increase—Adam Turple, Argentine, \$3;
Thomas Barron, Chase, \$10; Berymon Roberts, Leavenworth, \$39.
Mexican war widows, special act December S—Nancy A. Miller, Winfield, \$8.
War with Spain (Original)—Albert C.
Hauson, Ottawa, \$10; (widows, etc.)—Mary F. Cooper, Bazine, \$12.

# Car of Cattle Burned. Burlington, Kan., Dec. 24.—A car load of full-blood Hereford cattle was burned up on a southbound Katy train just south of here. The car was next to the engine and caught fire from a spark. Befor the train could be brought back to town and the fire extinguished all of the cattle but three were dead and the three were badly burned. The cattle were being shipped from here to Caddo, O., by L. Dulancy, who intended to start a Hereford farm. The car was badly damaged by fire. Car of Cattle Burned.

Holdups at Salina.

Salina, Dec. 24.—The police department here is at work on two holdup cases which have occurred in the last few nights. Several of the suspects, including Ida Mostler, "the queen of the bandlands," and Alf Shinn, Ross Hatten and a man named Riley have been arrested. These two holdups are the first that have occurred for some time. Emporia Teacher Fainta. St. Louis. Dec. 24.—Alice Bartlett. a school teacher of Emporia, Kan., was taken suddenly ill in Union station. She was en route from Cinchnatt, O., to her home, and as she was fatigued by the long journey she fell fainting in Union station. She was sent to the city hospital, where her condition was pronounced not serious. Her illness is due to a nervous affection. She has been in bad health for some time.

Contested Election Cases. Emporia, Dec. 24.—Two election contests have come to trial in Lyon county and in each case the contest board has declared that they were prematurely brought. The election of W. A. Snoddy to township trustee was contested by Stephen Hinshaw. The election of J. G. Kean to the office of proposte judge was contested by M. M. Mason, Republican.

## Abilene's Temperance Fight.

Ablienes Lemperance Fig. A. Abliene, Dec. 24.—The temperance crusade here by H. G. Fraser, of Topeka, has quieted down. Fraser met with bitter opposition and has left town. No injunction suits have been started. A. W. Rice and M. Nicolay, elected treasurer and president of the local union, have published cards denying that they encouraged anyone from outside to come here, and deny any active connection bere, and deny any active connection with the movement.

## Girl Catches a Coyets.

Last Friday a girl of 11 years of age, of the north part of the county, caught a large coyote in a trap and killed and scalped it herself and sent the scalp to town by her father, who delivered it to the county clerk. This is the first time that a girl's name has been put on the scalp list, as the clerk calls it.—Haskell County Republican.

## Boy Missing From Home.

Iola, Kas., Dec. 34.—Roy West, a nephew of Register of Deeds Home: P. Fowler, disappeared from his home early Monday morning, December 3, and although diligent inquiry and a thorough scarch have been made no trace of him has yet been found. Young West had been in Iola but a short time.

## Sudden Death at Emporia.

Emporia, Dec. 24.—H. D. Porter, editor of the Genesco, Ill., Republic, died very guddenly here. He and his wife came here a few days ago on a visit to his sister-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Coot. They intended to start home Saturday. In the morning he complained of not feeling well and exactly an hour afterward he died.

# Jointkeeper Shoots a Farmer. Salina, Dec. 24.—John Bush, a farmer was accidentally shot in the eye Saturday afternoon by J. E. McDanleis, a

was accidentally enot in the eye Satur-day afternoon by J. E. McDanleis, a jointkeeper. McDanleis was shooting at a mark in the bar room of his joint, and Bush passed in front of him just as he fired. The ball out the bridge of the nose and penetrated the left eye, de-stroying the sight. Death of Carl H. Brice.

# Blue Rapids, Dec. 24.—Carl H. Brice, only son of E. M. Brice, editor of the Blue Rapids Times, died of typhoid fever, at his father's residence, aged 24 IRON LION SCARES A DOG.

Chicago Department Store Image

Throws Animal Into a Fit. Chicago, Dec. 24.—"Sport," a Great Dane dog, owned by Godfrey Johnson, threw Christmas shoppers into a pania at Washington and State streets this afternoon. Johnson brought the dog down town for exercise, and all went well with the man and dog until the corper of Washington street was reached and the dog found himself beside one of the big iron lions that guarded the door of a department store.

big iron lions that guarded the door of a department store.

The minute "Sport" saw the lion he went into a fit. With a howl of fear he bounded out into the middle of the street. In his dash for the street through the crowd the dog upset a half dozen women, who diarried arms full of purchases, and they added to the noise incident to the dog's discovery of the lion. Johnson had a hard time catching and quieting the dog, but many women will always believe that the animal was mad.

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